



## **BEARFACTS 1997 – 2007**

### **Sussex , Delaware [10005]**

Sussex is one of 3 counties in Delaware. It is part of the Seaford, DE Micropolitan SA. Its 2007 population of 183,840 ranked 2nd in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Sussex had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$32,647. This PCPI ranked 2nd in the state and was 81 percent of the state average, \$40,112, and 85 percent of the national average, \$38,615. The 2007 PCPI reflected an increase of 3.5 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 3.5 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1997 the PCPI of Sussex was \$21,350 and ranked 2nd in the state. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.2 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2007 Sussex had a total personal income (TPI) of \$6,001,783\*. This TPI ranked 2nd in the state and accounted for 17.4 percent of the state total. In 1997 the TPI of Sussex was \$3,072,349\* and ranked 2nd in the state. The 2007 TPI reflected an increase of 5.9 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 4.9 percent and the national change was 6.0 percent. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of TPI was 6.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.7 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Sussex. In 2007 net earnings accounted for 57.1 percent of TPI (compared with 57.5 in 1997); dividends, interest, and rent were 19.8 percent (compared with 22.2 in 1997); and personal current transfer receipts were 23.1 percent (compared with 20.3 in 1997). From 2006 to 2007 net earnings increased 4.6 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 6.5 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 8.5 percent. From 1997 to 2007 net earnings increased on average 6.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 5.7 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 8.3 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Sussex increased from \$3,328,500\* in 2006 to \$3,492,232\* in 2007, an increase of 4.9 percent. The 2006-2007 state change was 2.4 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1997 estimate of \$1,804,374\* to the 2007 estimate was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.7 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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